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INPUT/OUTPUT (I/O) PERFORMANCE BETWEEN HOST SYSTEMS
AND STORAGE VOLUMES

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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This paper is submitted in response to a non-final fourth office action dated August 28, 2008 (“OA4”), in which the Examiner rejected the claims as obvious (35 U.S.C. §103) over cited art. Applicants submit that pending claims 1-5 and 7-18 are patentable over the cited art and in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed herein.

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